

THE PANORAMA VILLAGE VOICE NEWSLETTER

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### Labor Day weekend festivities planned

The Fourth of July was a washout, but we hope to have a second chance on Saturday, September 4 of Labor Day weekend with a special program of fireworks, food and music in front of the clubhouse.

The fun starts with an outside hamburger grill and taco food truck from 4:00 to 8:00 pm in front of the clubhouse. Country music stars Davin James and Shake Russell will provide live music from

6:00 to 8:00 pm. And the previously planned fireworks display will begin at approximately 8:30 pm.

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and come with friends and family for another fun event at Panorama Village, the best little town in Montgomery County.

The swimming pool will be open all day on Labor Day, September 6 from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm.



# Panorama actress stars in Owen Theatre production

Sophia Eddleman, the 11-year old daughter of Clay and Nancy Eddleman, will be performing the lead role in the upcoming musical Matilda at the Owen Theatre beginning on September 3 and running through September 18.

Sophia alternates the role with another young lady, Mollie Diaz, so be sure to check showtimes if you wish to see her. She is currently scheduled for the 9/3, 9/4, 9/11, 9/12 and 9/18 shows. Another PV youngster, Wesley Burns, has been cast as

Nigel. Tickets can be purchased online at owentheatre.com.

Matilda The Musical is based on the novel by Roald Dahl, and has been performed for audiences worldwide including NYC Broadway and London. It won multiple Tony and Oliver Awards. The Owen Matilda production is being directed by Adam Isabell, who also directed Footloose in April.

The Eddlemans live on Rolling Hills East along the 18th fairway.



#### **Blood Drive Oct 18**

The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center will have one of their Donor Coaches in Panorama Village on Monday, October 18 for anyone who wishes to donate blood.

The coach will be parked in front of our fire station at 99 Hiwon Drive from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please bring a photo ID and a vaccine donor card if you have received the COVID-19 vaccine.

## PLA plans style show for Sept 10

The Panorama Ladies Association will kick off their 2021-22 program year with a festive style show featuring designs from Cha Cha's Boutique on Friday, September 10 at the clubhouse.

Registration is at 10:30 am and the program begins at 11:00 followed by lunch. Call Carolyn Backen at 936-856-5401 for details.

### ON THE TEE BOX With Ruthie McGrath

Panorama Golf Club is thrilled to introduce Brandon Zerface, our new Golf Course Superintendent. Brandon knew Steve Gilley, our previous Superintendent, and saw how hard he had worked to improve the course. Brandon wanted to continue that, even raising the bar to new heights if possible.



Brandon was born in Bloomington, Indiana and lived there until 2007. He worked on baseball/softball fields in Bloomington until he moved to Florida and started his career on golf courses. He completed his A.S. in Turfgrass Science from Penn State through their World Campus. Brandon got into agronomy because he enjoys the challenges of working outside and seeing the visual progress of his team's hard work.

In Florida he worked on public golf courses in Cocoa Beach. He worked as an irrigation tech, spray tech, and assistant in training. In July 2013, he accepted a job offer with Golf Club of Houston (formerly Redstone) as an

assistant superintendent. He worked two years as assistant and 1-1/2 years as superintendent of the Tournament course that hosted the Shell Houston Open PGA events in 2014 – 2016. In late summer of 2016, he moved to Pearland Golf Course (formerly Country Place) as superintendent. From August 2019, until accepting the

Panorama position he was superintendent at the Woodlands Country Club Player Course.

His biggest challenge at this time is improving labor efficiency through training new or different ways of doing things than in the past and focusing more on being detailed and thorough. He sees the new equipment already paying off, but there are a few gaps in the package that he sees could improve efficiency when we can fill them in down the road.

If he had a magic wand he would wish for major tree pruning/raising the canopies in areas effecting turf growth causing poor conditions and a third tractor so they wouldn't have to stop the rough units when they need a tractor to spread fertilizer or run the new dethatcher rake or other general utility tasks.

Brandon plays golf less than he would like but is hoping to get out on the course more often in the future. He is about a 16 handicap. Sarah, his wife of over ten years is the Head of the Special Education Department at Riverwood Middle School in Kingwood. His son, Leo, is seven going on eighteen!! And just started second grade at Deerwood Elementary in Kingwood. Leo loves coming to work with his Dad on weekends or off days from school and has been doing so since he was a baby, so he's become quite a good helper.

Brandon wants Panorama to know he is committed to Panorama for the long haul and intends to keep pushing the course to new heights. We can all help Brandon and his crew (8 Operators/ Laborers, 1 Crew Foreman, 1 Assistant, 1 Mechanic) by supporting what they are doing and understand that they always have the best interest of the course in mind. He has a lot of pride in what he does and wants us to be proud of OUR course. WELCOME, Brandon!!

### Yard of the Month

Carolyn Brinkley 9401 Parkside Circle



# Garden Club going for the seeds

The Panorama Garden Club's September 23 program will be all about seeds: collecting, storing, propagating and nurturing the growth of young plants from seeds and cuttings. An area Master Gardener will lead the discussion. Registration is at 10:30 am and includes light refreshments and coffee. Call Denise Harp (206-227-7298) for more information.

#### Pecans on sale soon

The Garden Club will kick off its annual holiday pecan sale on September 10. One pound bags of fresh pecans (halves or pieces) will be \$13 per bag. Call Lis Martensen at 713-206-3481 to place your order.

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